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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of)
Stephen C. Wardlaw)
for : APPARATUS FOR)
ANALYZING BIOLOGIC FLUIDS)
Serial No: 09/981,581)
Filed On: October 17, 2001)
) Examiner: Brian J. Sines
) Group Art Unit: 1743
) Docket No.: 7564-0004-1
) (formerly 5169-04-1)

Hartford, Connecticut, 10 June 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action of March 9, 2004 that has a response period set to expire on June 9, 2004, to which a one-month extension is hereby respectfully requested. Claims 1-23, 25-31, and 41-46 are pending and rejected. At the present time, the applicant asserts that he is entitled to claim small entity status and hereby does so assert. Please enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the Specification are provided on page 2 of the present response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of the present response.

Remarks begin on page 9 of the present response.

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